

COUNTY SOCIETIES.**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.**

The regular June monthly meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held at the San Joaquin County Hospital and Farm, which is situated some four miles from the city of Stockton. The members were conveyed to the hospital in automobiles and were entertained by Dr. J. D. Dameron, the Chief Surgeon and Superintendent, who was ably assisted by Drs. Welty, McGurk, Friedberger and Pierce.

Dr. Dameron read a paper on "Surgical Treatment of Suppurative Kidneys." He presented several specimens of kidneys which had been removed, and the most interesting specimen, a kidney with two large stones imbedded, was presented, as well as the patient, who had gained some 30 pounds since its removal. Dr. Welty's carefully prepared histories of the cases were well received by the members present.

The name of Dr. Johnson was presented for membership. The members were shown over the hospital and farm and they all agreed that the institution was second to none in the state. After refreshments the society adjourned to meet after the summer holidays the last Friday in September.

BARTON J. POWELL,
Secretary.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

The regular meeting of this Society was held at San Jose, June 19th, with the following present: Drs. Osborne, Jordan, Paterson, Ulrich, Asay, Harris, Lyon, Fraser, Marvin, Wm. Simpson, Newell, Kapp, Jayet, Wagner and Park. Dr. Sanborn of Agnews was the guest of the Society. Dr. Lyon presented a paper entitled Medical Testimony. The discussion was taken up by nearly all the members present, and as the subject is one that every practitioner is interested in, it was decided to invite the members of the Santa Clara County Bar Association to attend a meeting that will be given over to the discussion of subjects that are of mutual interest to the lawyer and the physician.

K. C. PARK, Secretary.

PUBLICATIONS.

Diseases of the Lungs. By Robert H. Babcock, A. M., M. D., author of "Diseases of the Heart and Arterial System," until recently Professor of Clinical Medicine, and Diseases of the Chest, College of Physicians and Surgeons (Medical Department of the Illinois State University) Chicago; Consulting Physician to the Cook County Hospital; Consulting Physician to the Mary Thompson Hospital, Hospital of St. Anthony of Padua, and of the Marion Sims Sanatorium; Fellow and former President of the American Climatological Association; Fellow of the Association of American Physicians; Corresponding member of the Medico-Chirurgical Society of Edinburgh and of the International Tuberculosis Institute, etc. First Edition, D. Appleton & Co. 1907.

Issued as a companion volume to his work on the Heart and Arterial System, this new book by Dr. Babcock is similar in internal arrangement and in external detail. On its title page the author

clearly defines the scope of the book. He tells us, that the "Diseases of the Lungs is designed to be a practical presentation of the subject for the use of students and practitioners of Medicine." We therefore must not expect an encyclopedic and exhaustive treatise, but rather a clear, concise and eminently useful exposition of the subject. Needless to remark this is not the first time that an account of the Diseases of the Lungs has been given us, nor is it the first time that the subject has been approached from the standpoint of practicability. We ask therefore that in the new book there be virtues not extant in other and older books.

Deficiencies in other books may be due to an absence of facts, or may be in a faulty and cumbersome arrangement, or in a method of expression, in a style, which excites neither the applause nor the interest of the reader. It is no enviable task to undertake writing a new book on an old subject, and it is hard to give it a greater reason for its existence than an author's impulse or a publisher's desire. In our estimate of Dr. Babcock's book, it would seem that there are two main points of enquiry. Has he given us a practical book and secondly, has he given us one better than any other which we have? In other words is a distinct want supplied?

The "Diseases of the Lungs" is divided into three sections of unequal length and of more unequal interest. The first section is devoted to the Diseases of the Bronchi. It is in no way calculated to give us a fair estimate of the book; indeed it makes one rather chary lest he tread equally dry and stuffy paths in the succeeding sections. That facts are multitude we can not deny, any more than we can concede that there is present the simplicity of arrangement and of expression which goes so far toward making a practical book. The essential points do not project themselves before the student; the aim at practicability is lost. However, a most uninteresting prologue may precede a most fascinating tale.

The second, the largest and what may be termed the essential section of the book is devoted to the lungs. It fulfills the purpose of the author and excites the interest of the reader. The apologies, in the preface, for the brevity of the chapters on pneumonia and tuberculosis of the lungs may well be waived. The subjects are so admirably discussed and the question of treatment so thoroughly elucidated that were there no other virtues in the book, these would justify its existence. The entire section is eminently practical and one reads it with a sense of security and ease. Facts which were in the background of memories' stage troop forth with renewed life; old scenes, half forgotten, receive new illumination and excite new interest. Knowledge tends toward retrogression; methods are but too apt to become slipshod and jejune. It is imperative that we receive new stimulation and from new sources, not occasionally but often. Any man who reads this section of Dr. Babcock's book must feel a stimulated interest in the diseases of the lungs. In this, as in the other sections the author remembering the aphorism "Verba docent, exempla trahunt" has given us a number of histories of his patients. It would seem that a certain brevity and conciseness would have made these examples more interesting and no less illuminative.

The third section is devoted to the pleura. Had the first section fulfilled the idea of practicability half as well as this one, the distressing necessity of speaking ill of it would never have arisen. Unfortunately there is no mention of Grocco's triangle, which probably had not attained sufficient credit, when the manuscript left the author's hands, to merit a place of honor.

In conclusion one must say that while Dr. Bab-

cock is in no sense a pathfinder, he is a most efficient and reliable guide through the mazes of the Diseases of the Lungs. Except in the first section, the criterion of practicability is well met. Few books, of the scope of the present, have given us an equally good account of the Diseases of the Lungs; many have given a more lucid and practical exposition of Diseases of the Bronchi; and none had given us such a succinct and useful rendition of the Diseases of the Pleura, as the welcome book of Robert H. Babcock.

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Progressive Medicine, Vol. III, September, 1907.

A Quarterly Digest of Advances, Discoveries and Improvements in the Medical and Surgical Sciences. Edited by Hobart Armory Hare, M. D. Professor of Therapeutics and Materia Medica in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. Octavo, 290 pages, with 15 engravings. Per annum, in four cloth-bound volumes, \$9.00; in paper binding, \$6.00, carriage paid to any address. Lea Brothers & Co., Publishers, Philadelphia and New York.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

AUGUST SESSION.

School of Medicine.	Date of Graduation.	Percentage.
PASSED.		
Coll. of P. & S., L. A., Cal.....	6, 18, 07	84.6
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	85.1
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	84.2
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	83.4
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	83.4
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	82.8
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	82.2
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	82.0
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	81.4
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	80.4
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	78.6
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	77.2
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	77.1
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	76.8
Hahnemann Med. Coll., of the Pac., S. F., Cal.....	5, 25, 07	79.8
Hahnemann Med. Coll. of the Pac., S. F., Cal.....	5, 23, 07	75.3
Oakland Coll. of M. & S., Cal.....	5, 21, 07	81.0
Oakland Coll. of M. & S., Cal.....	5, 21, 07	80.2
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	89.6
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	89.4
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	89.3
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	85.3
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	85.2
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	85.2
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	84.4
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	84.3
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	83.6
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	82.6
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	82.1
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	80.1
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	79.0
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	87.9
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	86.4
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	82.3
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	82.3
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	82.4
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	82.2
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	81.8
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	81.7
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	85.5
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	79.8
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	76.6
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	5, 15, 06	75.2
Chicago Homo. Med. Coll., Ill.....	2, 24, 87	82.2+10=92.2

School of Medicine.	Date of Graduation.	Percentage.
Cornell University, N. Y.....	6, 12, 07	82.7
Eclec. Med. Inst., Cincinnati, O.....	4, 17, 07	82.3
Hahn. Med. Coll., Phila., Pa.....	5, 24, 06	88.9
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	6, 3, 07	84.2
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	5, 3, 07	83.5
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	5, 3, 07	75.9
McGill Univ., Montreal, Can.....	3, 31, 70	76.8+15=91.8
N. W. Univ., Chicago, Ill.....	6, 20, 07	79.9
N. W. Univ. Med. Sch., Chicago, Ill.....	6, 11, 96	77.6
Geo. Washington Univ., Washington, D. C.....	6, 5, 07	79.0
Royal Coll. of P. & S., Eng.....	4, 29, 97	88.5+10=98.5
Royal Coll. of P. & S., Eng.....	2, 24, 94	81.3+5=86.3
Rush Med. Coll., Chicago, Ill.....	6, 17, 03	83.7
Rush Med. Coll., Chicago, Ill.....	5, 23, 94	82.2+5=87.2
Rush Med. Coll., Chicago, Ill.....	4, 3, 03	77.4
Univ. of Toronto, Can.....	6, 3, 07	82.9
Univ. of Pennsylvania, Pa.....	6, 15, 04	77.2
Victoria Univ., Eng.....	6, 8, 91	86.7+5=91.7

FAILED.

Coll. of P. & S., S. F., Cal.....	6, 6, 07	70.5
Coll. of P. & S., S. F., Cal.....	5, 17, 06	70.5
Coll. of P. & S., S. F., Cal.....	5, 17, 06	69.9
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	73.7
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	72.4
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	71.3
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	64.7
Hahn. Med. Coll. of Phila., Pa.....	5, 15, 01	66.9
Howard Univ., Wash., D. C.....	6, 1, 06	67.6
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	73.8
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 14, 06	73.4
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	73.4
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	70.6
Bennett Coll. of Ecl. M. & S., Ill.....	5, 2, 05	74.1
Boston Coll. P. & S., Mass.....	6, 20, 06	51.4
Coll. of P. & S., Chicago, Ill.....	4, 13, 93	60.1+5=65.1
Detroit Coll. of Med., Mich.....	3, 7, 78	58.8+10=68.8
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	6, 3, 07	76.9
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	6, 3, 07	68.7
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	5, 2, 93	61.6+5=66.6
Kentucky Sch. of Med., Ky.....	6, 9, 98	61.7
Marion Sims Beau. Med. Coll., Mo.....	4, 10, 97	70.5+5=75.5
Medico-Chir. Coll., Phila., Pa.....	5, 28, 05	70.9
Tulane Univ., La.....	5, 3, 99	61.2
University of Md.....	6, 4, 07	71.2
University of Mich.....	6, 2, 02	52.9
University of Mo.....	4, 27, 97	67.3+5=72.3
University of Pa.....	6, 13, 95	72.8+5=77.8
University of Pa.....	6, 13, 06	76.4

CONDITIONED.

Coll. of P. & S., S. F., Cal.....	6, 6, 07	80.0
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	77.5
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	76.6
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	75.8
Cooper Med. Coll., S. F., Cal.....	5, 8, 07	76.1
Univ. of Cal., S. F., Cal.....	5, 14, 07	81.7
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	82.3
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	81.5
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	79.7
Univ. of So. Cal., L. A., Cal.....	6, 13, 07	78.0
Bellevue Hosp. Med. Coll., N. Y.....	6, 9, 04	77.0
Eclectic Med. Inst., O.....	4, 17, 07	77.4
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	6, 3, 07	77.7
Jefferson Med. Coll., Pa.....	5, 9, 90	71.2+5=76.2
N. W. Univ. Med. Sch., Ill.....	6, 2, 07	78.9
Univ. of Denver, Colo.....	4, 16, 95	73.0+5=78.0
Univ. of Ill.....	6, 6, 05	75.0
Univ. of Iowa.....	3, 17, 97	75.5+5=80.5
Univ. of Mich.....	7, 1, 80	76.8
Univ. of Mich.....	7, 1, 80	75.4+10=85.4

NEW LICENTIATES.

Abbott, Frank F.; Abrahamson, Milton; Albert, Walter; Alexander, A. A.; Allen, F. M.; Atkinson, Chas. E.; Bingaman, E. W.; Birtch, Fayette, W.; Bixby, Wilfred E.; Brown, Archibald, R.; Chaffin, Rafe; Clapp, Chas. Ross; Clarke, Geo. M.; Clarke, Octavins H. E.; Cottrell, Chas. C.; Craig, Lloyd Alex.; Davis, Fred J.; Dawson, Wm. C.; Dodds, Thos. G.; Fredericks, D. P.; Garner, Robt. W. T.; Gutzwiller, Anna M.; Hindley, G. J. D.; Holsclaw, Florence M.; Howell, Edgar, H.; Igo, Louise M.; Iland, Minne; Johnson, Edith E.; Jones, Edw. P.; Kocher, Jacob J.; Lowman, C. Leroy; McCoy, Wm. E.; McKee, Chas. B.; Martyn, Geo.; Montgomery, Wm. O.; Moore, Gertrude; Morel, Henry A.; Morris, Margaret M.; Mustard, Jno. J.; Paronl, Romilda; Pauson, Chas. A.; Peterson, Edwin A.; Pickett, Jesse C.; Ranson, Dow H.; Reinstein, Arthur H.; Riggins, Philip B.; Ross, A. Bartlett; Savage, Philip M.; Schroeder, Leo A.; Schulze, Otto T.; Shannon, Jas. W.; Smith, Arthur; Stansbury, Milton P.; Stevens, Geo. M.; Tholen, Emil F.; Thompson, Clarence P.; Thompson, Irving B.; Walcott, Allen W.; Welbourne, Pina M.; Wickett, Wm. H.; Wilson, Horace P.; Young, Chester I.